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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph <u>CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED</u>

<u>APPLICATIONS</u> on page 1, with the following amended paragraph:

This application is a continuation-in-part of U. S. Patent Application No. 10/341,574, filed January 13, 2003, now U.S. Patent No. 6,852,044, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/002,641, filed November 28, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,547,677, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/948,692, filed September 10, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application 09/172,608, filed October [[18]] 15, 1998, now U.S. Patent No. 6,302,808, which is a division of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/943,932, filed October 3, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,056,842[[;]], also the application is a continuation in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/815,753, filed March 23, 2001, the disclosures of which are hereby incorporated by reference in their entirety.